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1. [REDACTED] the following light characteristics differed from information given on the ship's maps:¹

- a. The light at Pakri, four flashes every 10 seconds.
- b. The light at North Sursari, an occulting light every 10 seconds.
- c. The light at Rodskjaer, two flashes every 12 seconds.

2. [REDACTED] none of the navigation buoys in the Gulf of Finland was in its indicated position. The pilot came aboard alone from Leningrad Lightship.

3. [REDACTED] two very strong lights in the direction of Pakri, just off shore. One light was about 400 meters above the sea and the other about 600 meters. The distance between them was about 300 meters. The lights were cylindrical about 10 meters long, and had a diameter of about two meters. [REDACTED] these dimensions could have been estimated incorrectly but the proportions were approximately correct. The same was true for the given altitudes. The cylinders were anchored by cables. The lights were yellow-white and burned for a period of one-half hour. [REDACTED]

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4. On 6 May the following naval vessels were passed west of Kronshtadt:
- The OKTYABRSKAYA REVOLYUTSIYA.
 - Five vessels as shown on Sketch No. 2. [redacted]
 - Two vessels as shown on Sketch No. 1. [redacted]
5. On 7 May a small patrol boat was observed in Leningrad Harbor. The boat, which had no visible armament [redacted] naval vessel [redacted] between Leningrad and Kronshtadt. The vessel had two guns on the fore-deck and one aft, a mast aft of the bridge, and one stack. Along both sides of the afterdeck a rack was installed with round objects which informant believed might have been mines. In approximately the same position lay another ship [redacted] This ship was in general like the other vessel, but it had four guns and appeared to be somewhat larger.
6. On 8 May the following vessels were observed in Kronshtadt:
- In the eastern harbor there were two large naval vessels partially obscured by some high buildings. [redacted] two high towers with a mast on top.
 - In the middle harbor there was a newly-painted, large vessel with a well-defined bridge superstructure. [redacted] a cruiser, but [redacted] this vessel was also partially obscured by other ships. There were five naval vessels tied up side by side, each of which had two stacks and two masts. [redacted] and there was also another vessel of the same type [redacted] Two smaller naval vessels [redacted] were also observed, as well as an older naval vessel [redacted] Informant identified this vessel as either a large destroyer or a small cruiser.
 - In the western harbor there were four small submarines [redacted] The submarines were apparently unmanned and were in poor condition.
7. In the roads outside Kronshtadt Harbor there was a harbor patrol boat [redacted] The battleship OKTYABRSKAYA REVOLYUTSIYA lay at anchor between Kronshtadt and the lightship, and it was bunkering oil from a lighter.
8. [redacted] in Leningrad [redacted] three aircraft, all of the same type. Each had two conventional engines, swept-back wings, and a swept-back, pointed tail.
9. On a low hill in the southern section of the harbor entrance to Leningrad there were seven oil tanks. In the first basin a relatively new quay with nine cranes was observed. On the quay were several ore piles. In the lower part of the same basin a quay with nine cranes and coal piles was observed. In the innermost part of the other basin a newly-built cruiser lay near the quay. Just the command tower, one mast, and the gun tower had been installed. In the basin near the lumber docks several small oil tanks were observed. On the other side of the pier, [redacted] there was a concrete floating dock, which was empty. In the western part of the canal were two new freighters with capacities of approximately 4,000 and 1,200 tons each.

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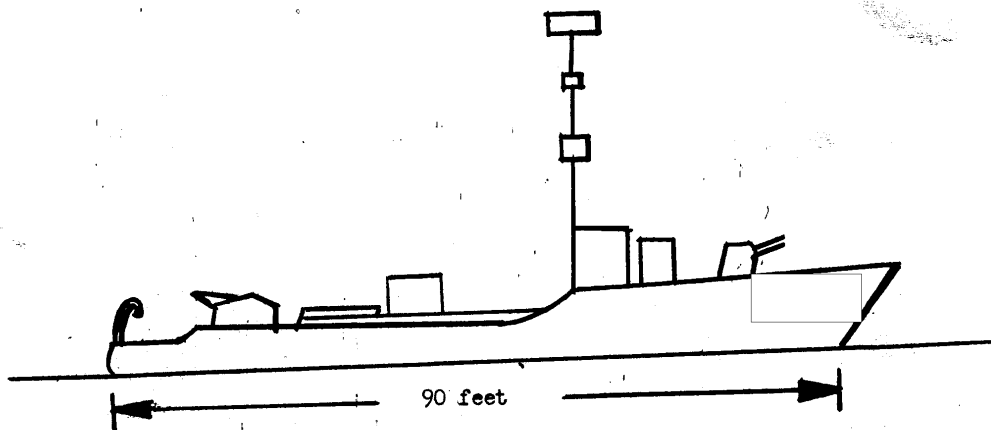
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Both were well-decked vessels. At a shipyard farther up the canal on the same side, a small freighter lay in a floating dock for repairs. Several other freighters lay near the quay for repairs.

10. The streets and sidewalks in the city were in a miserable condition. The same applied to the sewer outlets. Dwellings were in bad condition; many window panes were broken and the plaster was in need of repair. The interior of the houses and the courtyards were dirty; the courtyards were partly filled with rubbish. The area down near the harbor and the canal was infested with rats.

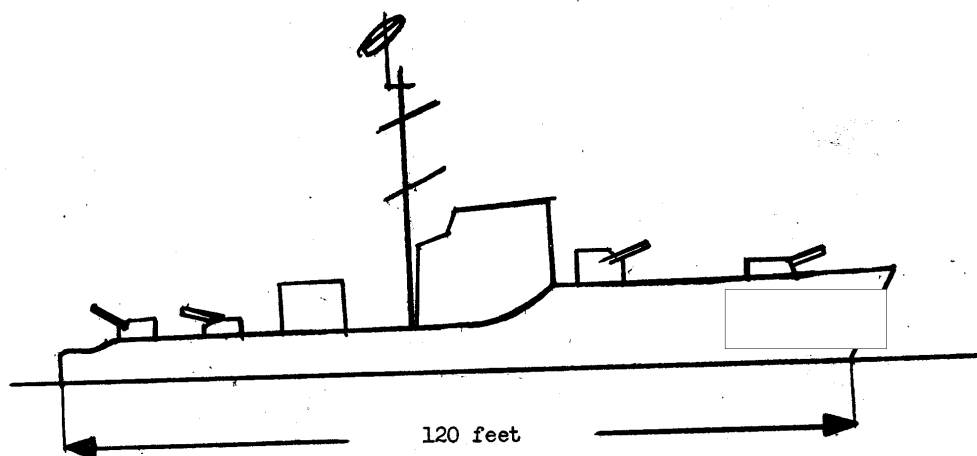
Sketch No. 1:

Sketch of Soviet Vessel



Sketch No. 2:

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